

neat

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[ni:t] *n* (*pl* без *измен.*) *арх.*

- вол; корова; бык
neat's leather - воловья кожа
neat's tongue - говяжий язык
- собир.* крупный рогатый скот

II

[ni:t] *a*

- чистый, чистоплотный опрятный, аккуратный
neat room - прибранная комната
neat beds - аккуратно застеленные кровати
cats are neat animals - кошки - животные чистоплотные
he was neat in his dress - он всегда был опрятно одет
he keeps his office neat - он держит свой кабинет в порядке
- скромный и изящный; ловко сидящий (*о платье*)
- стройный, складный (*о фигуре*)
- чёткий, ясный
neat handwriting - чёткий /разборчивый/ почерк
a neat description [characterization] - точное описание [-ая характеристика]
neat arrangement of arguments - чёткая /ясная/ аргументация
to write a neat hand - иметь хороший почерк
- лаконичный, отточенный (*о языке и т. п.*)
neat style - отточенный стиль
very neat answer - ответ, попавший в самую точку
- 1) хорошо сделанный
neat workmanship - тонкая работа
a neat scheme - продуманный /эффективный план
to make a neat job of smth. - удачно выполнить что-л.
2) *сл.* отличный, замечательный
that's a neat car! - вот это потрясающая машина!
- искусный, ловкий
neat worker - аккуратный работник
neat craftsman - мастер своего дела
a neat conjuring trick - ловкий фокус
- неразбавленный (*особ. о спиртных напитках*)
to drink one's whisky neat - пить неразбавленное виски (*без воды, льда и т. п.*)
- тех.* чистый, без примеси
neat cement - чистый цемент (*без песка*); клинкерный цемент
- чистый (*о прибыли*)
◇ as neat as a bandbox /as a new pin, as ninepence, as wax/ - чистенький; всё блестит, ≅ с иголки
neat but not gaudy - просто, но мило

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neat [neat neats neater neatest] *BrE* [ni:t] ^ˈ *NAmE* [ni:t] ^ˈ adjective (**neat-er**,**neat-est**)

- tidy and in order, carefully done or arranged
 - a neat desk
 - neat handwriting
 - neat rows of books
 - She was wearing a neat black suit.
 - They sat in her **neat and tidy** kitchen.
- (*of people*) liking to keep things tidy and in order, looking tidy or doing things in a tidy way
 - Try and be neater!
 - He had a neat methodical mind.
- small, with a pleasing shape or appearance
Syn: †trim
 - her neat figure
 - The puppies' ears should be neat and in proportion to the head.
- simple but clever
 - a neat explanation
 - a neat solution to the problem
- (*NAmE, informal*) good; excellent
 - It's a really neat movie.
 - We had a great time— it was pretty neat.
- (*BrE*) (*NAmE straight*) (*especially of alcoholic drinks*) not mixed with water or anything else
 - neat whisky

Derived Words †neatly ▪ †neatnessSee also: †straight

Word Origin:

late 15th cent. (in the sense 'clean, free from impurities'): from French *net*, from Latin *nitidus* 'shining', from *nitere* 'to shine'; related to ↑*net* (adjective). The sense 'bright' (now obsolete) was recorded in English in the late 16th cent.

Thesaurus:

neat *adj.* (usually approving)

• He sorted his papers into a neat pile.

ordered • • **orderly** • • **uncluttered** • |especially BrE **tidy** •

Opp: untidy, (formal) **Opp:** disorderly

neat/orderly/tidy **rows**

a/an neat/orderly/tidy **arrangement**

a/an neat/uncluttered/tidy **house/room**

Neat, orderly or tidy? **Neat** is the most general of these words and can describe sb's appearance, a place or an arrangement of things such as a **row** or **pile**; **tidy** usually describes a place such as a **room** or **desk**; **orderly** usually describes the way things are arranged in rows or piles.

Example Bank:

- I've made the front lawn all neat and tidy.
- She kept her desk extremely neat.
- The handwriting was surprisingly neat.
- By nature he was clean and neat.
- Each resident is expected to keep their room neat.
- He sorted his papers into a neat pile.
- Neil turned up the next day looking very clean and neat.
- She was a very efficient, neat woman.
- The children are always neat and tidy.
- The desks were in neat rows.
- This hairstyle is easy to keep neat and tidy.
- We were soon passing the neat lawns of the suburbs.
- You've got very neat handwriting!

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neat **S2** /ni:t/ BrE ¹⁴ AmE ¹⁴ *adjective* (comparative **neater**, superlative **neatest**)

[Date: 1500-1600; Language: French; Origin: *net*, from Latin *nitidus* 'bright, neat', from *nitere* 'to shine']

1. TIDY tidy and carefully arranged:

- neat handwriting
- His clothes were always neat and clean.
- Everything in the house was neat and tidy.
- She arranged the books in a nice neat pile.

2. LIKING THINGS TIDY someone who is neat likes to keep things tidy:

- I've always been quite neat.

3. GOOD *American English spoken* very good, pleasant, or enjoyable:

- That's a really neat idea.
- I liked working for him – he was a neat guy.

4. SMALL something that is neat is small and attractive:

- her small, neat features

5. CLEVER *formal* a neat way of doing or saying something is simple but clever and effective:

- In the end we found a very neat solution to the problem.
- a neat summary of the main issues

6. DRINKS *especially British English* a neat alcoholic drink has no ice or water or any other liquid added **SYN straight**:

- I can't drink brandy neat.
- drinking neat whisky

—neatly *adverb*:

- He wrote his name neatly at the bottom of the page.
- The problem was neatly summed up by one of the teachers.

—neatness *noun* [uncountable]

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